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Grundy County Soil & Water Conservation Dinner Held

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Named as the Grassland Farmer of the Year was Joe Bruch. The Outstanding Cooperator of the Year was presented to Robert and Rebecca Davis. Receiving the Goodyear Award were Richard and Linda Meighen.

Byron Grisamore, who currently serves as chairman of the SWCD Board of Directors, was recognized for 30 years of service to the district. He was presented a plaque by Richard Morgan, who was representing the Missouri Association of Conservation District.

Winners of the county poster contest were also recognized, with county winners receiving a monetary award. All county and local school award winners received a t-shirt.

First-place winners in the county competition were Christopher Lightener of Laredo, fourth grade; Rodney Hughes of S.M. Rissler School at Trenton, fifth grade; and Katie Whitt of Adams Middle School at Trenton, sixth grade.

Second-place winners were Mattie Lynch of Spickard, fourth grade; Ciara Gibson of Pleasant View R-6, fifth grade; and Johannah Lynch of Spickard, sixth grade.

The third-place winners were Taylor Cox of S.M. Rissler, fourth grade; Samantha Seward of Laredo, fifth grade; and April Ross of Laredo, sixth grade.

Winners by school included:

S.M. Rissler, fourth grade, Taylor Cox, first; Kimby Brown, second; Molly Holeman, third; fifth grade, Rodney Hughes, first; B.J. Golden, second; Cara Ricketts, third.

Adams Middle School, sixth grade, Katie Whitt, first; Ashten Witten, second; Cody Taylor, third.

Grundy R-5, fourth grade, JaNea Whitney, first; Tyler Brinkley, second; Jodi Blackburn, third; fifth grade, Loretta Tunnell, first; Joseph Jones, second; Shari May, third; sixth grade, Daniel Brandon, first; Patrick Graves, second; Adam Davidson, third.

Laredo, fourth grade, Christopher Lightener, first; MaCee Gardner, second; Aaron Lowrey, third; fifth grade, Samantha Seward, first; Logan Epperson, second; Kari Shiflett, third; sixth grade, April Ross, first; Kalyn Bethards, second; Derek Lowrey, third.

Pleasant View R-6, fourth grade, Cristin Chambers, first; Kody Hill, second; Nicole Fischbach, third; fifth grade, Ciara Gibson; Ronnie Brock, second; Jordan Colyer, third; sixth grade, Russell Wade, first; Sierra Frey, second; Rhonda Ross, third.

Spickard, fourth grade, Mattie Lynch, first; Cassie Barnes, second; Samantha Brewer, third; fifth grade, Holly Wilson, first; Ashley Tharp, second; C.J. Tharp, third; sixth grade, Johannah Lynch, first; Erin Howe, second; Mitchell Briegel, third.

Andrew McCrae, farmer, leadership trainer and radio broadcaster from rural Maysville, was the guest speaker.

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